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re: DOCKET NUMBERS: 98N-1230; 96P-0418; 97P-0197.

For the sake of the health of millions of Americans the undersigned request that the FDA do the following:

BAN THE FORCED MOLTING OF LAYING HENS BECAUSE FORCED MOLTING IS A PRIMARY CAUSE OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE IN HENS, EGGS AND CONSUMERS OF EGGS.

The FDA has done much to protect the consumers in America. However, it has done nothing to stop this practice which is not only cruel to the hens, but cruel to the public since we risk illness and death as a result of this practice.

For more years than can be counted, eggs were a healthy food. Then can be again if you ban forced molting without delay (you were petitioned in April 1998).

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